

January 11, 2013

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: Reply Comments to Dockets 12-1863, 12-340, RM-11683

Dear Ms. Dortch:

I am a small business owner in Pevely, Missouri and I am again writing to ask that the Commission support LightSquared and their effort to expand the broadband infrastructure in smaller communities all over the country.

As I have stated before, business owners need access to reliable telecommunications options to remain competitive and efficient. Improved broadband access would help businesses such as mine, particularly as I look to grow my customer base. Currently the Pevely market is underserved by broadband service providers and as such, I'm not able to leverage the full benefits of the Internet.

As noted in the comments in this proceeding, the Competitive Carriers Association (CCA) highlighted that LightSquared represents a potential pathway for local carriers to offer an affordable nationwide 4G service to rural small businesses and residents because LightSquared intends to offer its network on a wholesale basis to local partners at rates lower than current prevailing rates. That means that LightSquared's proposed service will not only improve the coverage and quality of service in rural areas, but will also make it more affordable.

CCA's comment is reinforced by the Technology Policy Institute, which states that "LightSquared remains the most immediate prospect for becoming a viable competitor in the mobile broadband space, particularly for underserved areas."

Finally, I truly believe that LightSquared has put forth a solution to move forward from the debate surrounding GPS interference that dominated the news last year. The company is willing to let some of their spectrum go unused to protect GPS devices if the FCC will allow the company to share a smaller swath of spectrum with the federal government. In the company's filing, LightSquared states unequivocally that it will use the relevant shared spectrum "in a manner that will protect the integrity of continuing, essential government operations."

The time to resolve this debate is now and I sincerely hope the FCC will take swift action and allow the company to finally launch its network. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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